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## CATTLE ON FEED

### ARIZONA

The number of cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Arizona feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or larger was estimated at 274,000 head as of October 1, 2022. The latest inventory was 1 percent below last month's inventory but 1 percent above October 1, 2021. The inventory included 264,000 steers and steer calves, less than 1 percent below last year. Heifers and heifer calves, at 10,000 head, are up 100 percent from last year. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 21,000 head of fed cattle during September 2022, 9 percent below the previous month but 11 percent above the September 2021 marketings. An estimated 19,000 head of cattle and calves were placed on feed, 14 percent below the previous month and 10 percent below the September 2021 placements. Other disappearance for September 2022 was 1,000 head, the same as last month and last year.

### UNITED STATES

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.4 million head on October 1, 2022. The inventory was 1 percent below October 1, 2021. The inventory included 6.90 million steers and steer calves, down 2 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 60 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.55 million head, up 1 percent from 2021. Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.08 million head, 4 percent below 2021. Net placements were 2.03 million head. During September, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 445,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 330,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 440,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 480,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 290,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 95,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.86 million head, 4 percent above 2021. Other disappearance totaled 53,000 head during September, 9 percent below 2021.

For a full copy of the October 2022 *Cattle on Feed* report, please visit [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).